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December 23, 2016

Jennifer L. Williams, President
Talbot County Council
South Wing, Talbot County Courthouse
11 North Washington Street
Easton, Maryland 21601

Dear Ms. Williams:

The Talbot County Council originally adopted, in accordance with Subtitle 5, Title 1, of the Land Use Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, a growth tier map for Talbot County on December 11, 2012. On June 7, 2016, the Talbot County Council adopted the *2016 Talbot County Comprehensive Plan*, which includes a revised adopted growth tier map. The Maryland Department of Planning has reviewed the revised growth tier map and, for purposes of Section 1-505 of the Land Use Article, has no "comment." As such, no public hearing is required under Section 1-507 of the Land Use Article.

Since the revised growth tier map has been incorporated into the *2016 Talbot County Comprehensive Plan*, the County has fulfilled the requirement to do so established under Section 1-509 of the Land Use Article. Lastly, we find no tier designation conflicts between the County's revised growth tier map and the adopted growth tier maps for the municipalities of St. Michaels, Easton, Oxford and Trappe.

If you have any questions, please contact Jason Dubow at (410) 767-3370.

Sincerely,

Stuart Sirota, AICP
Assistant Secretary of Planning Services

cc: Mary Kay Verdery, Planning Officer, Talbot County Dept. of Planning and Zoning